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1. [REDACTED] that trade agreements between the Russian Zone and Swiss firms have been initiated by the Central Commerce Association (Centralhandels-gesellschaft) in Dresden, whose director is (fnu) Wolfgang. These agreements are then concluded by Textra in Berlin. The deliveries from the Russian Zone include various kinds of textile products, but particularly garments for small children. The materials used for making these products are taken from existing German reserve stocks. The Swiss payment for deliveries from Germany is made in tungsten (not, as previously reported by the same source, in bauxite) and in Swiss francs.
- 25X1A [REDACTED] the opinion that the Swiss are deferring their actual fulfillment of the agreement in order to get a higher valuation for the Swiss franc.
2. The Russian accounting in the German economy for these transactions is done under the heading "exports".
- 25X1A [REDACTED] states that the word "exports", as used by the Russians in this connection, should really be "reparations".
3. The office of "Franco-Swiss" in Munich, No. 10 Paradiesstrasse, represents Swiss interests in dealing with Textra in Berlin. A German, (fnu) Schuster of No. 2 Rumfordstrasse in Munich, serves as the intermediary.
4. Trade between the Russian Zone and the French Zone is also accounted for by the Russians under the heading "exports". However, the inter-zonal agreement between these two zones has remained generally inoperative because of the Russian cancellation of cargo transport licenses.
5. According to [REDACTED] the musical instrument factories in Klingenthal (K30), Markneukirchen (P29), and Zwota (K30), these factories have to turn over all their production to the Rasno Export Company, which sells them abroad, mainly to Sweden.
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